IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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10/662594

Appl. Filed:

9/15/2003

Applicants:

Arnold

Appl. Title:

Use of 4-androstene-3, 6, 17 trione...

Examiner:

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

Assistant Commissioner of Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Applicant hereby respectfully petitions that the above application be made special under MPEP Section 708.02 for the following reason; attached is a declaration in support thereof:

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	Manufacturer	Available
	Manufacturer	Available

VI. Energy Savings Will Result

 Π . Infringement Exists

Recombinant DNA is Involved VII.

Ш. Applicant's Health is Poor VIII. Special Procedure: Search was made

IV. Applicant's Age is 65 or Greater IX. Superconductivity is Advanced

Environmental Quality will be Enhanced V.

Attached is an Affidavit in support of the petition.

Very respectfully submitted,

Michael Berns 38,379

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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VERIFIED STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.102, and MPEP 708.02, applicant petitions to make the application special based on actual infringement, manufacturer available, and search made. In support of the accompanying Petition to Make Special, applicant declares as follows:

- 1. I am the attorney for the inventor, Patrick Arnold, and the assignee, Proviant Technologies, Inc.
- 2. I am the attorney of record for subject application.
- 3. I have caused to be made a careful and thorough search of the prior art and have a good knowledge of the pertinent prior art.
- 6. I believe that all of the claims of the application are allowable.
- 7. Proviant Technologies, Inc. has sufficient presently available capital to market and produce the product.
- 8. Proviant Technologies, Inc. has sufficient facilities to produce larger quantities of the product.
- 9. Proviant Technologies, Inc. can make available sufficient capital and facilities to increase production if a patent is granted.
- 10. Proviant Technologies, Inc. will not increase present manufacture unless certain that the patent will be granted and infringers can be stopped.
- 11. Proviant Technologies, Inc. has obligated itself to manufacture the product to protect the investment of capital and facilities.
- 15. I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made upon information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application and any patent issuing therefrom.

The undersigned, being hereby warned that wilful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, and that such wilful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any resulting registration, declares that he/she believes the applicant to be the owner of the invention sought to be patented, and that all statements made of his/her own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Berns

Attorney for Proviant Technologies, Inc.

Dated:

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